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L U N C H E O N

WEDNESDAY, February 1 --- ROSOFF's, 43rd & Broadway

Cocktails at Noon ----- LUNCHEON at 12:30 P. M.

\$2.00 -- Tip and Tax Included ---- \$2.50 for Guests

WHAT TITO TOLD ME

by

EDWARD CORSI

Industrial Commissioner of the State of New York

Last November the Yugoslavian Government invited Commissioner Corsi to visit that turbulent Balkan state. While there, the Commissioner was granted one of the longest interviews Marshal Tito has ever given a foreign guest. He spoke frankly about such subjects as relations with the Soviet Union, a loan from the United States and internal reconstruction. Now -- in a partially off-the-record address -- Commissioner Corsi discloses "What Tito Told Me."

Commissioner Corsi, a United Press correspondent during the First World War, is a former Commissioner of Immigration and Deputy Welfare Commissioner.

PLEASE CHECK AND MAIL THE ENCLOSED CARD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. CAPACITY ATTENDANCE IS EXPECTED AT THIS LUNCHEON.

**: OFFICIAL:**

Speakers Committee Meeting . . . . . Clubrooms . . . . . Monday, January 30, 5:30 PM  
Awards Committee Meeting . . . . . Clubrooms . . . . . Thursday, February 2, 5:45 PM

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**:NEW APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:****ACTIVE:**

Arthur Doak Barnett, Institute of Current World Affairs. China, 1947-1949, Chicago Daily News and Institute of Current World Affairs. Proposed by WILLIAM P. GRAY; Seconded by PERCIVAL R. KNAUTH.

George Francis Hicks, Commentator, National Broadcasting Company. England, February-September, 1943; Africa, Italy, Corsica, September, 1943-February, 1944; Britain, France, Belgium, Germany, February, 1944-June, 1945 for American Broadcasting Company. Proposed by W. W. CHAPLIN; seconded by LEON PEARSON.

**ASSOCIATE:**

Irwin Shaw, free-lance writer. Africa, 1943-1944, for Yank and Stars and Stripes; Israel, Italy and France, 1949, for New Yorker and Holiday. Proposed by ELIO ELISOFON; seconded by WILLIAM P. GRAY.

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**IMPORTANT NOTICE  
SEMI-ANNUAL OPC BUSINESS MEETING**

An official Semi-Annual Business Meeting will be held on Valentine's Day (February 14) at 8:30 P.M. at the Newspaper Guild Club, 133 West 44th Street, under provisions of Section Two, Article VII, of the Overseas Press Club Constitution.

Because IMPORTANT BUSINESS is scheduled for discussion before this meeting, all members should make a special effort to attend. ONLY MEMBERS ARE INVITED. Associate Members may attend, but only Active Members hold voting rights.

The Guild Club bar will be open to assuage thirsts raised during debate.

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PLEASE CHECK THE ENCLOSED POST CARD CAREFULLY: Indicate whether you will attend either or both 1) the Commissioner Corsi luncheon at Rosoff's on Wednesday, February 1; and 2) the Semi-Annual Business Meeting at the Guild Club on Tuesday, February 14.

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~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Egypt and her problems will undergo expert scrutiny next Sunday  
~~X WITH THE OPC ON TV X~~ when the Overseas Press Club television show presents a distinguished panel of guests. Participants in the telecast (5-5:30 PM, January 29, WCBS-TV, Channel 2) will be FREDERIC SONDERN, JR., roving editor for the Reader's Digest, who covered much of World War II in North Africa and Egypt; HARRY ZINDER, former chief of the AP's Middle East Bureau in Cairo and more recently press attache of the Israeli Embassy in Washington; and Mr. El Abed Bouhafa, United States correspondent for the Cairo newspaper, El Misr. Subject of the program is: "Egypt: Modern Problems of an Ancient Land."

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THAT TIRELESS SCRIBE, Past President BOB CONSIDINE has a new book on the stands and another on the way. Just released is "The Maryknoll Story", which was reviewed by President FRANK KELLEY in the New York Herald Tribune on January 22. Due out in February: "Innocents at Home" (E. P. Dutton), a biography of life among the Considine kids...Another early Dutton offering will be "The Police State" by CRAIG THOMPSON...Speaking of books, JOHN BARKHAM recently joined the staff of Coronet as book editor. He will be in charge of selecting non-fiction book excerpts for the pocket-sized monthly...

STORK NEWS: Twin girls, Martha and Emily, were born on January 17 to Mr. and Mrs. ANDY ROONEY in Albany...

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A SERIES OF FOUR ARTICLES on India and Pakistan, by LEO MARGOLIN, will shortly be distributed by North American Newspaper Alliance to its more than 90 member newspapers. The pieces are based on LEO's recent four-month visit to those countries...Friends report that RICHARD TREGASKIS and his wife will head back to New York for a visit early in March...

A NEW ADDITION to Columbia Broadcasting System's Washington staff is BJÖRN BJÖRNSEN, who handles a five-minute sponsored news show, Monday through Saturday, from the capital. Before switching to CBS, BJÖRNSEN for eight years was an NBC correspondent in Europe and in Washington...TOM JOHNSON is off to bask in Nassau sun for a couple of weeks...The Book of Knowledge has named ANNE O'HARE MC CORMICK of the New York Times as one of the "World's twelve smartest women", selected on the basis of their "inspiring example of intelligence and accomplishment to the growing generation of Americans"...Item for Our-Prolific-Colleagues Department: ELSIE MC CORMICK's piece, "Must You Always Be First?", in the January Good Housekeeping...

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JEWEL DE BONILLA reports enthusiastic member response to her offer to send subscriptions to "Diplomatic Buy-Lines"--so enthusiastic that replies have been delayed due to an envelope shortage. With its second issue, "Diplomatic Buy-Lines" jumped from 5,000 to 6,000 readers...COL. R. ERNEST DUPUY is now in Ashburn, Va., writing a history of the accomplishments -- in both military and civilian life -- of West Point graduates. The book will be published by the West Point Graduate Association...

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 \* WHAT THEY SAY \* "This book of revealing profiles on the 25 living men who have helped make our world what it is today," says the Newark Star Ledger, "teems with the minor events that later contributed to their development for good or evil...The reader will gain much insight into the lives of these 25 men who really do help 'make your world.'..." That review comes from the latest batch of clips acclaiming the OPC's new book, "Men Who Make Your World" (E. P. Dutton, \$3.50.)...Add to it these bouquets: Field Artillery Journal: "Outstanding in international news value is 'Men Who Make Your World'...revealing and sharply etched profiles of today's men of destiny in political and other fields"...Pasadena Star News: "Enlightening collection...engaging, first-hand summaries of 'Men Who Make Your World.'..." Providence Journal: "Because 'inside dope' is invariably fascinating, (this book) is good and worthwhile reading."...Saturday Review of Literature: "The styles are varied, the syntax at times idiosyncratic, but the pieces are all lively reading, authoritative, informative...The choice of subject and writer has often been unusually happy."

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 THE CLUB's thousand-book library has recently been catalogued and arranged for ready reference, thanks to the efforts of JOE ROSAPEPE and BILL DOERFLINGER. Old volumes have been weeded out, and others cleaned and reshuffled...

JACK GLENN recently was re-elected President of the Screen Directors Guild...A series of Army Reserve Corps television shows over WPIX are now being written and produced by HAM WHITMAN, who is also acting as emcee for most of the telecasts. The shows will run at least until February 6. The time: Monday evenings at 8:30... "The Danube", EMIL LENGYEL's book published here and in England in 1939, will finally be printed in Germany this year. It was banned by Hitler. LENGYEL now is a foreign policy lecturer at the New School for Social Research...FRANK HANDY, assistant to the publisher of the Ypsilanti (Mich.) Daily Press, visited the Clubrooms this week...

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LOCK-INS, GOULD SAYS,  
PAVED WAY FOR CONTROL  
OF SHANGHAI BY REDS

Communist incitement of laborers to stage lock-ins was largely responsible for erecting an iron curtain about Westerners in Shanghai, according to RANDALL GOULD, former editor of the Shanghai Evening Post and Mercury, who addressed 50 OPC members and guests at a luncheon at Rosoff's Restaurant on January 25. "The authorities were behind labor's demands," GOULD stated, "and the new government refused to set up standards by which we could negotiate." After continued harrassing by union leaders, GOULD wrote an article pointing out difficulties facing foreign concerns due to government inactivity. At 2:50 PM on June 14, labor spokesman demanded the story be killed. GOULD declared the story would stand. And the Evening Post has never since appeared in Shanghai. GOULD and his associates also were plagued by monetary difficulties. "Inflation became so bad", he said, "that finally it took 6 quadrillion Chinese dollars, which once had surpassed the American dollar in value, to equal an American dollar." GOULD also related an incident in which he and his wife were besieged in their apartment by workers. Next day the Red-dominated Chinese press stated his wife, Dorothy, was responsible for injuring four of them. ("It would have been pretty difficult", she said, "because I was clad in a blue chiffon nightgown at the time") Nevertheless, GOULD was forced to make an official published apology for the "attack."

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"ON THE OVERSEAS BEAT"

EDWARD P. MORGAN, now free-lancing from Paris, is buying a house in Bougival...ALLEN RAYMOND, Tokyo correspondent for the New York Herald Tribune is returning to the United States... Other Herald-Trib changes: MARGUERITE HIGGINS transfers from Berlin bureau to Tokyo, while GASTON COBLENTZ, Balkan correspondent, is back in the U.S. on a six-week leave...THURSTON MACAULEY, now with the Information Division of the ECA Special Mission to France, sends best wishes to Club members...

FORTUNE MAGAZINE will soon lose BOB SHAPLEN, who's resigning to finish up a novel and do magazine articles. His last book, "A Corner of the World", incidentally, has been sold to Hollywood. Bob Roberts-John Garfield Productions will film it...Add new-books-out-soon department: LEO LANIA's "The Nine Lives of Europe", which Funk & Wagnalls is scheduling for February release..."Capetown to the Mountains of the Moon", a report of HENRY ALBERT PHILLIPS' travels to Southwest Africa and the Congo, was published January 23. Next month PHILLIPS is off for a tour of Europe and North Africa...

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RALPH H. MAJOR, JR., Acting Editor

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